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Attorney's Docket No. 025219-317

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Patent Application of

HOURQUEBIE et al.

Application No.: 09/786,985

Filed: May 21, 2001

For: MATERIAL WITH IMPROVED
RESISTANCE TO THERMAL AGEING
AND ITS METHOD OF PRODUCTION

Group Art Unit: 1714

Examiner: Yoon, Tae H.

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a Reply and Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 in response to the Office Action, mailed on May 8, 2002, for the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for ☐ \$55.00 (248) ☐ \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- ☐ Also enclosed is _____.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$370.00 (279) ☐ \$740.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted __, on __, for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least __, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
- ☐ No additional claim fee is required.

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☒ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims	31	MINUS 20 =	11	× \$18.00 (103) =	\$198.00
Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$84.00 (102) =	.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (104)					\$280.00
Total Amendment Fee					
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$478.00

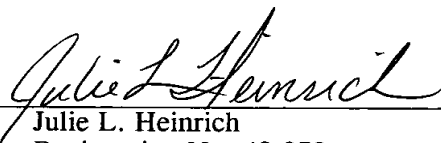
☒ A claim fee in the amount of \$ 478.00 is enclosed.

☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

This Reply and Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated May 8, 2002 by the U.S. Patent And Trademark Office for the above-noted application. It is being submitted on or before its current due date of August 8, 2002. In response to this Office Action, entry of the following amendments is earnestly solicited.

In the Specification

Please delete the abstract as it is presently written. Please add the following paragraph as the abstract:

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--The present invention provides a material having improved resistance to thermal ageing, methods for producing this material, and for use of this material in the manufacture of high and very high voltage cables.--

On page 2 line 28, please replace the term "monomer" with --terpolymer--.

In the Claims:

Please rewrite claims 1-14 as shown below.

Please cancel claim 15. ~~pc~~

Please add new claims 16-18.

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